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Army Orders Nos. 145 to 155 have been published during the month of April, 1917.

Published on the 1st April, 1917.

I.—Rules for Military Detention Barracks and Military Prisons—Provisional Amendment. A.O. 145, 1917.

*Special Rations in Military Detention Barracks and Branch
Detention Barracks for Category A men.*

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Gen. No.
1883

With reference to the scales of diet for soldiers under sentence at home stations, it has been decided that, until further orders, the following special daily rations shall be issued in all Military Detention Barracks and Branch Detention Barracks in Great Britain for all Category A men. Men of other categories will continue on the scales already laid down.

	Article.				Ounces.
Bread	14
Meat	13
Margarine	1
Sugar	1
Tea	$\frac{1}{2}$
Potatoes...	8
Swedes, turnips or fresh vegetables...	2
Dried peas or beans	4
Maize	3
Cocoa	1
Rice	2
Suet	$\frac{1}{4}$
Oatmeal	2
Cheese (Canadian)	2
Salt	$\frac{1}{4}$
Vinegar	$\frac{1}{16}$

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Published on the 12th April, 1917.

A.O. 146. 1917. II.—Miniature Rifle Competition for the King's Shield.—1. It is notified that this competition will be fired on any one day between the 15th and 27th June, 1917, both dates inclusive, under the conditions issued with Army Order 185 of 1914.

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Cadets
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2. Cadet units wishing to enter for this competition must send a notification of their intention to do so to the County Association by which they were granted recognition.

Such notifications must reach County Associations before 1st May, accompanied by the following information :—

- (a.) Detail of squadrons, batteries or companies entering teams.
- (b.) Address to which the officer commanding the cadet unit wishes the registers and targets to be sent.

3. On 5th May County Associations will forward to the Commandant, School of Musketry, Hythe, a roll of the cadet companies wishing to enter for this competition ; this roll will be made out on Army Form E 674, and no cadet company will be allowed to compete unless its name appears on this roll. In the event of no entry being made, a nil return should be forwarded.

4. On receipt of this Army Form the necessary number of registers and targets will be forwarded in sealed packets by the Commandant, School of Musketry, to officers commanding cadet units, who will be responsible for delivering the packets unopened to the supervising officers.

Published on the 13th April, 1917.

A.O. 147. 1917. III.—Machine-Gun Corps.—With reference to paragraph 2 of Army Order 357 of 1916, it is notified that the rates of pay of officers of the Machine-Gun Corps (Heavy) whilst employed as Equipment Officers and Officers of the Workshop Companies, will for the period of the present emergency be as laid down in the Pay Warrant for the Army Service Corps.

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Army Order 357 of 1916 should be amended accordingly.

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6631</p> | <p>IV.—Regulations for the Clothing of the Territorial Force during the War—Amendments.—1. Paragraph 24B (as added by Army Order 423 of 1916), lines 1 and 2, <i>delete</i> "both at home and abroad". Lines 3 and 4, <i>delete</i> from "in which" to "situated". <i>Add</i>—</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">"Units stationed in commands where there is no Local Auditor will forward their accounts to the War Office."</p> <p>2. For paragraph 56B (as added by Army Order 423 of 1916) <i>substitute</i>—</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">"56B. The procedure in the case of issues to individual soldiers will be the same as that prescribed for replacement issues of clothing on payment, and issues will appear on the company indent (Army Form W 3506) and on Army Form P 1954 (<i>see</i> paragraphs 19 and 21)."</p> <p>3. Paragraph 57, line 4 (as amended by Army Order 423 of 1916), <i>for</i> "Army Form P 1925" <i>substitute</i> "Army Form P 1954."</p> <p>4. Paragraph 32A (as added by Army Order 423 of 1916), <i>for</i> last sentence <i>substitute</i>—</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">"The second copy will be retained by this officer, who will make use of the information to assist him in the examination of indents for replacement supplies".</p> | <p>A.O. 148.
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2524</p> | <p>4. Paragraph 32A (as added by Army Order 423 of 1916), <i>for</i> last sentence <i>substitute</i>—</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">"The second copy will be retained by this officer, who will make use of the information to assist him in the examination of indents for replacement supplies".</p> | <p>A.O. 148.
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Gen. No.
7499</p> | <p>V.—Bread Ration for Patients in Military Hospitals.—With reference to paragraph 57, Allowance Regulations, it has been decided that until further orders the ration of bread, issuable on "ordinary," "chicken," and "beef tea" diets to patients in military hospitals, shall be 14 ozs. instead of 16 ozs.</p> | <p>A.O. 149.
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1765</p> | <p>VI.—Separation Allowance Regulations—
Amendments.</p> <p>1. Paragraph 43, <i>add</i>—</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">"The claim must be made on Form N.A. 20, a copy of which can be obtained at any post office."</p> | <p>A.O. 150.
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A.O. 150 1917 continued.	2. <i>Insert</i> new paragraph— 43A. Separation allowance for a child will be issued at the lower rate or will cease, as the case may be, from the end of the week in which the child attains the age of 14 or 16.	901 81
A.O. 150. 1917.	3. * <i>For</i> paragraph 44, <i>substitute</i> — 44. Where a soldier's children (not motherless) are in the care of two or more guardians, the total allowance admissible in respect of all the children will be divided on the principle of an equal share for each child; if such allowance is not exactly divisible by the number of children the undivided balance will be paid to the guardian of the youngest child.	46 1765
	4. Paragraph 75, in line 6, <i>for</i> "motherless rate of 5s."; and in line 10, <i>for</i> "limit of 5s." <i>substitute</i> "appropriate motherless rate" in each case.	901 81
A.O. 150. 1917.	5. <i>Insert</i> new paragraph— 78A. Where separation allowance becomes <i>temporarily</i> inadmissible under paragraph 77 or paragraph 78 for a child for whom a divided allowance is being paid under paragraph 44, the share previously paid for such child will be withheld, the allowances for the rest of the family being continued at the previous rate.	46 1765
A.O. 150. 1917.	6. Paragraph 122. At the end of the first sentence <i>add</i> — "on receipt of a duly authenticated claim on Form N.A. 20 (<i>see</i> paragraph 43)",	46 1798
A.O. 150. 1917.	At the end of the second sentence <i>add</i> — "but if the notification of death is received before payment is actually made the allowance will be issued only to the end of the week in which the death occurred".	901 81
A.O. 150. 1917.	7. Appendix XI. At the end of paragraph 8, <i>for</i> "the father's allowance for the <i>youngest</i> child" <i>substitute</i> — "the lowest rate of child's allowance which is being paid in respect of the father",	46 1765

* Payments under the new paragraph 44 will be currently adjusted as soon as possible after receipt of this Army Order; payments made on the basis of the old paragraph 44 for the period prior to the date on which the revised payments begin, will stand.

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<div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">48</div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding: 0 5px;"> Gen. No. 3801 </div>	<p>VII.—Tropical Outfit Allowance.—With reference <u>A.O. 151.</u> to Army Order 319 of 1916, the special outfit allowance <u>1917.</u> of 5<i>l.</i> 10<i>s.</i> will be issuable under the conditions laid down in Army Order 251 of 1915 to officers pro- ceeding to the Mediterranean (including Egypt, Salonika, Corfu) and North China, on and after 1st April, 1917, or who are actually serving there on the 15th April, 1917, and have not previously drawn the grant.</p>
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In the latter case claims should be submitted in
accordance with the terms of Army Order 128 of 1916.

Published on the 22nd April, 1917.

<div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">20</div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding: 0 5px;"> Gen. No. 4441 </div>	<p>VIII.—Army Cyclist Corps.—The following in- <u>A.O. 152.</u> formation is promulgated :— <u>1917.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Army Cyclist Corps is organized in Battalions and Companies. 2. The rates of pay for officers, warrant officers, non- commissioned officers and men of the Army Cyclist Corps are as laid down in the Pay Warrant for infantry of the line. The pay of artificers is provided for in Army Order 132 of 1915. 3. During the war the standard for proficiency pay will be proficiency as a cyclist with the necessary physical endurance. The special qualifications during the war will be those laid down for infantry of the Territorial Force, as amended by Army Order 438 of 1914. 4. Officers are obtained as follows :— <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) By granting temporary commissions to selected cadets from Infantry Cadet Battalions. (ii) From officers seconded from the Regular, Terri- torial and Reserve Forces, or transferred from the New Armies. 5. An establishment of officers by ranks has been approved. This establishment will be increased pro- portionately when new units of the Army Cyclist Corps are formed. 6. The promotion of all officers serving with the Army Cyclist Corps will take the form of temporary promotion, and will be carried out on a general list. Officers seconded will, on leaving the Army Cyclist Corps, relinquish temporary rank granted in that corps.
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A.O. 152 All promotions are regulated by the War Office, and
1917 are governed by the approved establishments referred
continued. to in paragraph 5.

Promotion is made by selection, having due regard to seniority in the corps.

Officers seconded or transferred to the Army Cyclist Corps take seniority in the corps in accordance with the rank they hold at the date of their being seconded or transferred.

Any acting or temporary rank which has been granted to an officer while holding a specific position will automatically lapse on appointment to the Army Cyclist Corps.

Officers promoted in the corps take seniority in accordance with the date of such promotion.

The acting rank of major or captain will be granted to captains or lieutenants and second-lieutenants when acting in command of units under the same conditions as those governing the grant of such rank to officers temporarily performing the duties of a higher rank in units of other branches of the Service.

7. The other ranks of the Army Cyclist Corps are composed of warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men raised in a similar manner to that which obtains in infantry of the line.

Promotion may be made by commanders of units up to and including the rank of serjeant. Promotion to acting colour-serjeant for appointment as acting battalion or company serjeant-major or acting battalion or company quartermaster-serjeant may be made provisionally by officers commanding units. The promotion to colour-serjeant for appointment as serjeant-major or quartermaster-serjeant of a Corps Cyclist Battalion or Cyclist Company will be made by the officer i/c Army Cyclist Corps Records, and is governed and carried out in accordance with an approved establishment on a general list of the Army Cyclist Corps.

8. Army Order 478 of 1914 is *cancelled*.

A.O. 153.
1917.

IX.—War Savings.

Five Per Cent. Exchequer Bonds, 1922.

With reference to Army Order 44 of 1917, it is notified that on and after 25th April, 1917, there will be a new issue of 5 per cent. Exchequer Bonds through the Post Office, and investments in these Bonds may be made by soldiers by means of Army Form

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W 3273, under the arrangements for investment **A.O. 153**
by soldiers notified in Army Order 116 of 1916. **1917**

These Bonds are issued at par, and *the amount invested must be 5l. or a multiple of 5l.* Interest is payable at the rate of 2s. 6d. for each 5l. on 1st April and 1st October in each year. The Bonds will be repayable on 1st April, 1922, but a holder, on giving three calendar months' notice, may require repayment of the Bonds on 1st October, 1919. The Bonds may be sold through the Post Office at the market price (less a small commission) at any time. *continued.*

The issue of War Savings Certificates (purchase price 15s. 6d. per 1l. Certificate) continues, but no further applications for 5 per cent. War Loan can be received.

Published on the 25th April, 1917.

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Gen. No. **X.—Special Rations in Military Detention Bar-** **A.O. 154.**
1883 **racks and Branch Detention Barracks.**—With refer- **1917.**
ence to Army Order I of 1st April, 1917, the following amendment will be made in the special scale of rations issuable in Military Detention Barracks and Branch Detention Barracks for Category A men :—

Against "Potatoes," for "8 ozs." substitute " 6 ozs., five times a week".

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Misc. **XI.—Regulations for Management of Garrison and** **A.O. 155**
744 **Regimental Institutes—Amendment.**—Paragraph 50, **1917.**
add—

"When the A.C.C. have taken over a regimental institute which has been previously run on the tenant system, there will be no necessity for maintaining on the regimental system any other recreation room or soldiers' club. Should any such institutions be in existence, they should be at once amalgamated under the management of the existing regimental institute." **A.O. 155.**
1917.

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A.O. 156. Victoria Cross.—His Majesty the King has
1917. been graciously pleased to approve of the award of
the Victoria Cross to No. 731 Lance-Serjeant (now
2nd Lieutenant) Frederick William Palmer, Royal
Fusiliers.

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For most conspicuous bravery, control and
determination.

During the progress of certain operations, all the
officers of his company having been shot down,
Serjeant Palmer assumed command, and, having cut his
way under point blank machine-gun fire, through the
wire entanglements, he rushed the enemy's trench with
six of his men, dislodged the hostile machine gun
which had been hampering our advance, and established
a block.

He then collected men detached from other regi-
ments, and held the barricade for nearly three hours
against seven determined counter-attacks, under an
incessant barrage of bombs and rifle grenades from his
flank and front.

During his temporary absence in search of more
bombs an eighth counter-attack was delivered by the
enemy, who succeeded in driving in his party, and
threatened the defences of the whole flank. At this
critical moment, although he had been blown off his
feet by a bomb and was greatly exhausted, he rallied
his men, drove back the enemy and maintained his
position.

The very conspicuous bravery displayed by this non-
commissioned officer cannot be overstated, and his
splendid determination and devotion to duty un-
doubtedly averted what might have proved a serious
disaster in that sector of the line.

*The foregoing appeared in the London Gazette, dated
3rd April, 1917.*

A.O. 157. Distinguished Conduct Medal.—Lists of awards
1917. which were announced in the *London Gazette*, dated
26th March and 17th April, 1917, will shortly be issued
to all concerned.

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Serjeant-Master-Tailor W. Bruce, late 2nd Bn. North
 Staffordshire Regiment.
 Quartermaster-Serjeant W. Burgess, late 2nd Bn. Royal
 West Surrey Regiment.
 Serjeant H. Denman, late 1st Royal Dragoons.
 Quartermaster-Serjeant J. Mace, late Permanent Staff,
 Donegal Artillery.
 Serjeant-Major H. Walters, late Permanent Staff, Royal
 Lancaster Militia, formerly 2nd Bn. 4th Foot.

<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 2px;">0137</div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">3623</div>	<p>2. A list of awards which were announced in the <i>London Gazette</i>, dated 17th April, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned.</p>
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Warrant Officers (Class I. Without Gratuity).

Royal Engineers ...	12115, Superintendent-Clerk W. G. Taylor (now Lieutenant and Quarter- master, Highland Light Infantry).
Cheshire Regiment ...	2248, Serjeant-Major A. Quick (now 2nd Lieutenant, Royal Defence Corps).
Army Service Corps ...	S/13104, 1st Class Staff Serjeant-Major A. V. Burd.
" " ...	T/13597, Staff Serjeant-Major J. J. Wass.

Non-commissioned Officers and Men (with Gratuity).

Royal Engineers ...	9342, 2nd Corporal B. J. T. Hoskins.
South Wales Borderers ...	8/14588, Private E. Lichfield.
Army Service Corps ...	M/21061, Company Quartermaster- Serjeant A. Kestin.
Army Ordnance Corps ...	201, Armourer Quartermaster-Serjeant A. A. Greenaway.

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A.O. 161. **Militia Long Service Medal.**—The following 68
1917. have been awarded the Militia Long Service Medal :— 2953

No. 3948, Sericant T. Ibbotson, 1st Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
No. 3923, Private G. Cortis, 1st Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
No. 4000, Serjeant G. Agius, 2nd Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
No. 5484, Private O. Portelli, 2nd Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
No. 4011, Private F. Schembri, 2nd Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
No. 3802, Serjeant G. Zammit, 2nd Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.

A.O. 162. **Territorial Force Efficiency Medal.**—A list of non- 68
1917. commissioned officers and men of the Territorial Force T.F.
who have been awarded the Territorial Force Efficiency 1338
Medal will shortly be issued to all concerned.

A.O. 163. **Wearing of uniform by officers when not on** 55
1917. **duty.**—With reference to King's Regulations, Gen. No
paragraph 1694, G.Os.C.-in-C. at home may grant 559
permission to officers to wear plain clothes when on
leave away from their stations and, at their stations
when not on duty, for purposes of athletic exercises for
which a special dress is necessary.

Otherwise uniform will be worn by all ranks at all times during the continuance of the war.

Officers at home on leave from abroad may wear plain clothes except when visiting the War Office, the Headquarters of the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief, Home Forces, or of any subordinate Command at home.

A.O. 164. **Machine-Gun Corps.**—The following definitions are 20
1917. laid down for the Cavalry, Infantry and Motor Branches Machine
of Machine Gun Corps :— Gun Corps

Section = 4 machine guns with personnel.
Sub-Section = 2 machine guns with personnel.
Detachment = 1 machine gun with personnel.

Training Manuals and War Establishments will be amended accordingly.

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<p>30 Gen. No. 5750</p>	<p>Issue of Allowances on Promotion. — With A.O. 165. reference to the Royal Warrant published as Army 1917. Order 84 of 1917, it is notified that the allowances appertaining to the appointment or higher rank in which a soldier acts during a vacancy, or to which he is promoted, are issuable when the pay of the appoint- ment or higher rank is issuable. The soldier who succeeds to a vacancy is entitled to the allowances, as well as the pay, of the appointment or higher rank from the date when he begins to perform the duties; the soldier who acts in the vacancy meanwhile is entitled to the allowances, as well as the pay, of the appointment or higher rank for the whole period during which he acts in the vacancy until the soldier who succeeds to the vacancy assumes duty and begins to draw the pay and allowances. Paragraphs 6 and 7, Allowance Regulations, 1914, will be modified accord- ingly for the period of the war.</p>
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<p>35385 2</p>	<p>Royal Military Academy and Royal Mili- A.O. 166. tary College. Antedate in the case of a Cadet who 1917. has previously served as an Officer.—1. A cadet appointed to a permanent commission in the Regular Army on passing out of the Royal Military Academy or Royal Military College on and after the 1st September, 1916, provided that before admission to one of these institutions he served as an officer of—</p>
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- (a) Special Reserve,
- (b) Militia,
- (c) Territorial Force,
- (d) Military Forces of the Overseas Dominions,
- or
- (e) Held a temporary commission in the Regular
Army,

may be given such antedate for seniority in his regiment or corps as may be recommended by the Commandant, Royal Military Academy or Royal Military College (as the case may be).

This antedate must, however, be not earlier than the date on which he completed nine months' service as an officer subsequent to the 4th August, 1914 (or would have completed that service had he not entered the Royal Military Academy or Royal Military College), nor before he attained the age of 19.

2. An officer gazetted to a permanent commission

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A.O. 166 from the Royal Military Academy or Royal Military College prior to the 1st September, 1916, may, on the *continued.* recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief under whom he is serving, be considered for an antedate under the conditions stated in paragraph 1.

A.O. 167. Permanent Commissions in the Regular Army (Cavalry, Royal Artillery, Infantry and Army Service Corps).—The following amendment will be made in Army Order 295 of 1916 :—In paragraph 5, after "age of 19" insert "Service prior to 4th August, 1914, will not be allowed to count in the 9 months referred to".

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A.O. 168. Recognition of Cadet Units.—The following additional Cadet units have been reported as recognized by Territorial Force Associations :—

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Territorial Force Association.	Cadet unit.	Territorial Force unit to which affiliated.	Date of recognition by Association.
Carnarvon...	Pwllheli County School Cadet Corps.	...	1917. 23rd Mar.
Essex ...	Clark's College (Southend-on-Sea) Cadet Company.	6th Bn. The Essex Regt.	11th April.
Glamorgan...	Swansea Grammar School Cadet Corps.	6th Bn. The Welsh Regt.	22nd Mar.
" ...	Barry County School Cadet Corps.	Glamorgan (Fortress) Royal Engineers.	23rd Mar.
Gloucester...	The Rich School Cadet Corps.	5th Bn. The Gloucestershire Regt.	19th Mar.
London, County of.	1st London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.
"	2nd London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.
"	3rd London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.
"	4th London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.

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Territorial Force Association.	Cadet unit.	Territorial Force unit to which affiliated.	Date of recognition by Association.	A.O. 168 1917 <i>continued.</i>
London, County of.	5th London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	1917. 18th April.	
"	6th London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.	
"	7th London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.	
"	8th London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.	
"	9th London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.	
"	10th London Cadet Battalion, The Boys' Brigade.	...	18th April.	
Somerset ...	1st Cadet Corps, 4th Battalion, Somerset Light Infantry.	4th Bn. Prince Albert's (Somerset Light Infantry).	27th Mar.	
Stafford ...	Tamworth Cadet Company, Church Lads' Brigade.	...	27th Mar.	
Warwick ...	Norton Training School Cadet Corps.	6th Bn. The Royal Warwickshire Regt.	17th Mar.	
Wilts ...	Bishop Wordsworth's School Cadet Corps.	...	4th Mar.	
York (West Riding).	Wheelwright Gram- mar School Cadet Corps.	4th Bn. The King's Own (Yorkshire Light Infantry).	26th Mar.	

NOTES.—1. The Uddington Cadet Company has been recognized as an additional company of the 1st Lanarkshire Cadet Battalion (Scottish Rifles).

2. The Caldicot Cadet Company has been recognized as an additional company of the 1st Cadet Battalion, The Monmouthshire Regiment.

3. The designation of the Given Wilson Institute Cadets, recognized in Army Order 41 of 1915, will be, in future, the 6th Cadet Battalion, The Essex Regiment.

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<u>A.O. 169.</u> 1917.	Recognition of Voluntary Aid Detachments.— A further list of detachments which have been registered at the War Office is printed as an Appendix to this Order.	83 7999
<u>A.O. 170.</u> 1917.	King's Regulations — Amendments.—Paragraph 1753, line 12. <i>For</i> "unit, full name," <i>substitute</i> — "permanent rank, full name, unit on date of qualification," <i>After line 14 insert—</i> "If the unit is a non-regular or extemporised unit, the last regular regiment or corps served with, and the regimental number and rank in same should also be specified."	68 Gen. No. 2953
<u>A.O. 170.</u> 1917.		
<u>A.O. 171.</u> 1917.	Allowance Regulations — Amendment. — Paragraph 409. <i>Insert</i> new sub-paragraph— (d.) To officers and others on active service.	14 Infantry 953
<u>A.O. 172.</u> 1917.	Regulations for Army Ordnance Services, Part I.—Amendment.—Paragraph 520, line 3, <i>after</i> "Appendix XVIII," <i>insert</i> "This statement should be rendered in duplicate".	8 Ordnance 232
<u>A.O. 173.</u> 1917.	Cyclist Training (Provisional), 1917. — 1. A revised edition of this Manual has been approved, and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned. The training of all units mounted on cycles will be conducted in accordance with the principles contained in this Manual. 2. Army Order 201 of 1914 and the edition of Cyclist Training issued therewith are hereby <i>cancelled</i> .	40 Misc. 1184
<u>A.O. 174.</u> 1917.	Handbook — 303-inch Lewis Machine Gun, Part I.—Amendments have been approved and copies will be issued to all concerned.	40 W.O. 3695
<u>A.O. 175.</u> 1917.	Gun Drills—(i) 3-inch (20-cwt.) Q.F. A.A. Gun, Marks I. and III., on Fixed Mounting or Traveling Platform.—This gun drill has been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned. (ii) 4-inch Q.F. Guns, Marks III. and III.*—A revised edition has been approved, and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.	40 W.O. 3664 40 W.O. 3660

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W.O.
3707 (iii) 4.5-inch Q.F. Howitzer.—A revised edition has A.O. 175
been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all 1917
concerned. *continued.*

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W.O.
4019 (iv) 5-inch B.L. Howitzer.—The following amend-
ments will be made :—

1. Page 3.—Contents, line 28, *after* “gun” insert “or salvo”.
2. Page 13, line 2.—At beginning of line *delete* “Halt”.
3. Page 16.—*For* paragraph headed “Battery, Section or Gun Fire” *substitute*—

Battery, Section, Gun, or Salvo Fire.

“At the order from the Section Commander the A.O. 175.
gun is loaded by order of 1, fired in its turn at the 1917.
interval ordered, and reloaded as required. At
salvo fire the guns are loaded as above, but are
fired by the order of the Battery Leader.”

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W.O.
4043 (v) 60-pr. B.L. Gun, Mark I., Carriage.—A
reprint with amendments has been approved, and copies
will shortly be issued to all concerned.

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W.O.
3939 (vi) 60-pr. B.L. Gun, Mark II., 1916 Carriage,
1916.—A reprint, with amendments, has been
approved, and copies will shortly be issued to all
concerned.

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W.O.
3724 (vii) Amendments to Gun Drills, Anti-Aircraft
Guns.—1. The following amendment will be made in
all Gun Drills, Anti-Aircraft Guns :—*For* paragraph
headed “To take post from detachment rear”
substitute—

ACTION.

At the order from the Section (Gun) Commander— A.O. 175.
“Section, Action,” all numbers, whether at detachment 1917.
rear or under cover, will double to their positions in
action.

2. The following note :—

“NOTE.—In the event of a misfire when firing
at hostile aircraft the breech will be opened and
the gun re-loaded immediately.”

will be added at the end of the section headed “Miss-
fires” in the undermentioned Gun Drills :—

- (i) 12-pr. 12 cwt. Q.F. H.A. Gun, on Travelling
Platform. Gun Drill, 1916. Provisional
(40/W.O /3097) ;

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- A.O. 175** (ii) 13-pr. Q.F. Anti-Aircraft Gun. Gun Drill
1917 (Provisional), 1915 (40/W.O./2381); and
continued. (iii) 3 inch (20 cwt.) Q.F. A.A. Gun, Mark III., on
 Travelling Platform. Gun Drill (Provisional),
 1916 (40/W.O./3218).

3. In the title of the 13-pr. Q.F. Anti-Aircraft Gun, Gun Drill (Provisional), 1915, between "13-pr." and "Q.F.," insert "6 cwt." on the title page and on pages 4 and 6.

4. 13-pr. Q.F. 9 cwt. Anti-Aircraft Gun, Mark III. Mounting on Motor Lorry, Gun Drill, 1916, is amended as follows:—

On page 5, before "Duties and Positions for Moving-off" insert—

MISSFIRES.

- A.O. 175.** If when 7 presses the firing lever the gun fails to fire,
1917. 6 satisfies himself that the breech is properly closed, and then 7 again presses the firing lever. If the gun fails again to fire he calls "*Missfire*".

After an interval of one minute 1 orders "*Open the breech*". On this order 6 carefully opens the breech so as not to eject the cartridge.

7 carefully withdraws the round and hands it to 8.

If the cap has been struck, 8 removes the missfired round to a place of safety and 1 orders "*Go on*".

7 reloads; 6 closes the breech and calls "*Ready*".

The primer is removed and examined. If it has not ignited, it is to be returned for special examination, a new primer being substituted for it in the cartridge.

If, however, the magazine of the primer has fired and failed to ignite the charge, provided there is an opportunity for firing the round immediately by the substitution of a fresh primer, this may be done; failing this, the shell will be removed, the charge withdrawn and destroyed (by laying it out in a train and lighting one end), and the shell, cartridge and case returned in the usual manner.

If the cap has not been struck, 10, assisted by 11, removes the damaged striker, inserts new striker, and opens the breech; the gun is then reloaded as above.

NOTE.—When firing at hostile aircraft the interval will be dispensed with and the gun will be re-loaded immediately.

(viii) Section Gun Drill for 6-inch, 26-cwt., B.L. **Howitzer** has been approved, and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.

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BOOKS, FORMS, &c.

A.O. 176.
1917.*Military Books.*

1. The following books have been placed on sale :—

	Price.
	s. d.
Handbook of the B.L. 6-inch 30-cwt. Howitzer, Marks I. and I.* 1917	1 2
Priced Vocabulary of Clothing and Necessaries, 1915. Amendments, &c. (Issued with Army Orders, dated April, 1917)	0 1

Army Forms approved.

2. The following Army Forms have been approved :—

Army Form B 104-81A, "Record Office Form ; Notification of Wounds (Hospital Lists)."

Army Form B 104-119, "Record Office Casualty Leaflet No. 1 (Instructions for dealing with cases not traced in Home Hospital Reports)."

Army Form B 104-120, "Record Office Form ; Letter to Hospitals as to Soldier's Identity."

Army Form B 104-121, "Record Office Form ; Notification of Burial."

Army Form B 104-122, "Record Office Casualty Leaflet No. 3."

Supplies of the five Record Office Forms specified above have been distributed to Officers i/c Records.

Army Form G 1096-93, "Schedule for Vickers' Army Reconnaissance Tractor Biplane (F.B. 14)."

A distribution of this Form has been made to all concerned.

Mobilization Store Tables.

Army Form G 1098-326, "Heavy Artillery Battery and Ammunition Column, R.G.A. (Egypt) (60-pr. B.L. Guns)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-332, "Mechanical Transport Company, A.S.C., for 6-inch Howitzer Battery (Mesopotamia)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-333, "Mechanical Transport Company, A.S.C., for Heavy Batteries (Egypt)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-334, "A Labour Company (Infantry)." Dated February, 1917.

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A.O. 176 Army Form G 1098-335, "Brigade Headquarters,
1917 Heavy Branch, Machine Gun Corps." Dated March,
continued. 1917.

Army Form G 1098-336, "A Forestry Company,
Canadian Forestry Corps." Dated March, 1917.

Distribution of the above specified Mobilization
Store Tables has been made to the A.Ds.O.S. of Com-
mands and Chief Ordnance Officers concerned.

Appendix "AA" to Army Form G 1098-33c, "Spares
for Vickers' Army Reconnaissance Tractor Biplane
(F.B. 14)."

A distribution of this Form has been made to all
concerned.

Mobilization Store Tables (Territorial Force).

Army Form G 1099-32, "A Small-Arm Ammunition
Column for a Mounted Brigade (Home)." Dated
March, 1917.

A distribution of this table has been made to the
A.D.O.S., Eastern Command, and Chief Ordnance
Officers concerned.

Army Form W 3522, "Form for use of Police when
questioning men apparently of military age."

A distribution has been made to Officers i/c Recruiting
Areas

Army Form W 3549, "Claims for additional pay of
Assistant Gymnastic Instructors."

A distribution has been made to Training Units at
Home.

Army Form W 3552, "Stocktaking Board on Clothing
and Necessaries." This form supersedes Army Forms
W 1164 and W 1165.

A distribution has been made to Headquarters of
Commands.

Army Form W 3554, "Application by Married Soldier
for Reduction or Cancellation of Allotment."
(Supersedes W 3007 and W 3008, which are hereby
cancelled.)

A general distribution of this form has been made.

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Army Form W 3555, "Out-patient treatment card." **A.O. 176**
Supplies of this form have been distributed to **1917**
Officers i/c Military Hospitals. *continued.*

Army Form W 3568, "Weekly Estimate of Output of Forage."

This form has hitherto been known as "A.M.F.C. 29." When further supplies are required, they should be indented for on Army Form L 1350.

Army Form W 3569, "Storage Return."

This form has hitherto been known as "A.M.F.C. 30." Any further supplies required should be indented for on Army Form L 1350.

Army Form W 3571, "Return of Purchases."

This form has hitherto been known as "P 6." Any further supplies should be indented for on Army Form L 1350.

Army Form W 3580, "Form for verifying in doubtful cases rates of Men's Pay after transfer from one Arm to another."

A distribution is being made to Regimental Paymasters.

Army Forms revised.

3. The following Army Forms have been revised. Previous prints are obsolete and should be wasted :—

Army Form B 104-81, "Record Office Form ; Notification of Wounds (Base Lists)."

Supplies have been distributed to Officers i/c Records.

Army Form E 563, "Efficiency Medal, Territorial Force ; Nominal Roll of N.C.Os. and Men recommended for."

A distribution of this form has been made to Officers i/c T.F. Records.

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Army Form G 1098-13D, "Anti-Aircraft Service (France) (13-pr. Q.F. Equipment)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-102, "An Army Troops Company. R.E." Dated February, 1917.

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A.O. 176 Army Form G 1098-105, "Headquarters of Divisional Artillery." Dated March, 1917.

continued. Army Form G 1098-110, "An Infantry Battalion." Dated March, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-124, "A Sanitary Section." Dated March, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-162, "A Mobile Repair Unit." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-203, "A Machine-Gun Company (France)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-218, "A Field Artillery Brigade (Salonika "4")." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-242, "A Siege Artillery Battery, R.G.A., with Mechanical Transport (8-inch B.L. Mark VI. Howitzers)." Dated March, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-282, "A Corps Cavalry Regiment." Dated March, 1917.

Army Form 1098-290, "A Coast Works Company, R.E." Dated March, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-311, "A Divisional Ammunition Column (71st, 72nd and 73rd Divisions, Home Service)." Dated February, 1917.

Mobilization Store Table (Territorial Force).

Army Form G 1099-14, "A Divisional Ammunition Column (64th, 65th, 68th and 69th Divisions)." Dated February, 1917.

Supplies of the above specified Mobilization Store Tables have been distributed to the A.Ds.O.S. of Commands and Chief Ordnance Officers concerned.

Appendix "P" to Army Form G 1098-33c. List of Spares for R.E. 8 Aeroplane.

A distribution of this Appendix has been made to all concerned.

Corrigenda to Army Forms G 1098-171, 272 and 298.

A distribution has been made to all concerned.

Memorandum.

Army Form W. 3031. "Postcard for use of German Prisoners of War."

Only the print on *white* paper should be used ; that on *buff* is obsolete, and any copies in possession should be at once destroyed.

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Army Form cancelled.

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4. The following Army Form has been cancelled :—

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Army Form W 3221, "Weekly Return of Sick and Wounded (M.E.F)."

LIST OF CHANGES IN WAR MATÉRIEL, &c.

A list of changes in war matériel and patterns of military stores which have been approved and sealed, with instructions relating thereto, is issued herewith to all concerned.

By Command of the Army Council,

Ref. Trade

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APPENDIX TO ARMY ORDER 169.

VOLUNTARY AID DETACHMENTS.

Counties, &c., are arranged in alphabetical order.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

No.	Detachment.	Classification.	By whom organized.
18	Carmarthen ...	Women's	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
33	Cheshire ...	Men's ...	} St. John Ambulance Association.
10	Flint... ..	Women's	
190	Glamorgan ...	"	British Red Cross Society.
192	" ...	"	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
194	" ...	"	} British Red Cross Society.
196	" ...	"	
59	Kent ...	Men's ...	} St. John Ambulance Association.
33	Lancashire, West ...	"	
276	London, County of	Women's	} British Red Cross Society.
278	" " ...	"	
280	" " ...	"	} St. John Ambulance Brigade.
22	Monmouth ...	"	
24	" ...	"	} British Red Cross Society.
12	Merioneth ...	"	
130	Norfolk ...	"	} St. John Ambulance Brigade.
24	Northampton ...	"	
49	Northumberland ...	Men's ...	County Association.
51	" ...	"	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
47	Nottingham... ..	"	British Red Cross Society.
120	" ...	Women's	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
55	Sussex ...	Men's ...	British Red Cross Society.
94	Worcester ...	Women's	St. John Ambulance Association.
170	Yorkshire, West Riding,	"	} St. John Ambulance Brigade.
172	Yorkshire, West Riding,	"	
174	Yorkshire, West Riding.	"	St. John Ambulance Association.

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SCOTLAND.

No.	Detachment.	Classification.	By whom organized.
8	Aberdeen, City of ...	Women's ...	British Red Cross Society (Scottish Branch).

IRELAND.

80	Belfast ...	Women's ...	} British Red Cross Society.
13	Dublin, City of ...	Men's ...	

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